

# Good News Bulletin May 2019

# MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

We are proud to announce The Students of the Month have been selected for May 2019. They are:

Freshman – Brianna Cristello Sophomore – Peter Angelo Junior – Kyle Nosseir Senior – Julia Guerin

The above students have met the following Criteria:

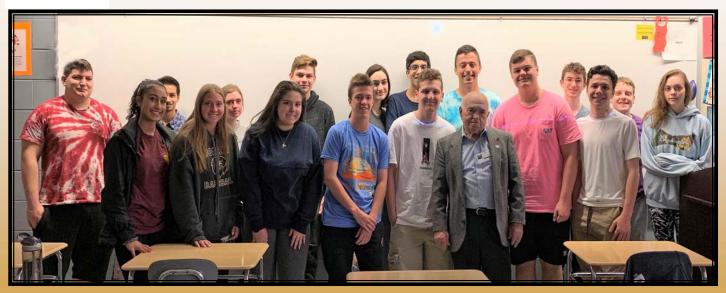
- 1. Must meet high academic standards in class.
- 2. Exhibit positive character and influence on class/school, dignity, respect, trustworthiness, responsibility, caring, and citizenship.
- 3. No unexcused lates of any kind for the month. No discipline referrals in the last month.

Congratulations to all of you!



### HOLOCAUST & GENOCIDE CLASS

Ms. Schwartz's Holocaust and Genocide class learned an important message to "Love not Hate" from Holocaust Survivor Sol Lurie.





# Congratulations to **Kelsey Stromberg**! She is the NJSIAA Scholar Athlete of the Year!



Congratulations to **Nicole Ryan** who will be attending Perdue and **Paris Harrington** who will be attending South Carolina University in the fall.





Congratulations **Tara Pietrulewicz** and **Jack Fitzgerald** on being named GMC Scholar Athletes of the Year!



Congratulations **Megha Jain** and **Harshit Gupta** on being named GMC 2019 Sportsmanship Athletes of the Year!

# MONTHOE LACROSSE



Congratulations to the Boys Lacrosse Team for winning the GMC Championship against St. Joe's with a score of 9-6. It is their 3<sup>rd</sup> GMC Championship in 4 years.



Congratulations to Emmaleen Regan on your 200 Lacrosse saves!



### TRACK



Congratulations to **Jordan Kaplan** who was the Central Group 4 Champion in the 800 meter run which advanced him to the Group 4 championships. At Group 4 Championships, Jordan placed 8<sup>th</sup> in the 400 breaking the school record with a time of 49.00 and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 800 also breaking the school record with a time of 1:52.10!

### US II HISTORY HONORS

After studying a unit on the Vietnam war, Ms. Schwartz and Ms. Abruzzesse's US History II Honor's classes visited the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial in Holmdel. They received a guided tour of the memorial and museum by Vietnam Veterans.





FBLA

Congratulations to the newly appointed FBLA Executive Board for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **MANAN SHAH**

President

### **AANYA SHUKUL**

Vice-President of Community Service

### RASHMI KAPSE

Vice-President of Membership

### RICHARD HUANG

*Vice-President of the Treasury* 

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### THANMAYEE KAVURI

SHELLY SINGHVI

Haunted High School Organizers

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NAVYA MALAPANAGUDI

Recruitment

### **ABHAY SHESHADRI**

Webmaster

# Personal PERSONAL FINANCE

Finance Assessments in a different way!

Students in Mrs. Holmes's Personal Finance classes have been using a variety of ways to show their understanding of concepts learned in class. For one performance assessment, students were given the task of creating song lyrics and a music video or live performance to show their understanding of the "Credit & Debt" unit. They worked for 5 days to create original lyrics and a musical performance piece. Judges and students in each class voted for their favorite and the winners of Holmes's Personal Finance Idol were:

### Block 2A:

1st place = The band "The Sherry's" also known as Mia Bacchi, Jamel Hernandez, Jacklyn Otken, and Samantha Mantz with their animated video and song "Financial Rhapsody"

Runner up = The band "The Debt Collectors" composed of Emily Cangelosi, Nicholas Sapia, Robert Innes, and Neranjana Iver with their video and song "A Thou\$and Dollar\$"

Class Favorite = The band "Carly Rae Cash Flow" composed of Abigail Semsel and Priva Thadkapalli with their video and song "I'm Wealthy Baby"

### Block 3A:

1<sup>st</sup> place = The band "Cash Cows" composed of Christian Cipolletta, Matteo Salesi, Joanna Giustino, Kyle Kozak, and Sophia Peluso with their video and song "Jumbo Dollar Sign"

Runner up = Single artist "C-Money" also known as Christopher Yun with his song "Credit Card"

Class Favorite = Also went to "C-Money" also known as Christopher Yun with his live performance and guitar playing of his song "Credit Card"

### Block 2B:

1<sup>st</sup> place = The band "Rich Beache\$" consisting of Sarah George, Teresa Rackett, and Kristen Dziewa with their video and song "Financial Girls"

Runner up= The band "Rich \$i\$ter\$" consisting of Alyson Kratchman, Joanne Mulroney, Graciella Esandrio, and Katlyn Perricho with their video and song "\$aving up"

Class Favorite = The band "Financial Friends" also known as Kyle Blair, Annalisa DiBenedetto, Ethan Washington, and Brooke Sommer with their video and song "Uptown Bank"

### Block 3B:

1st place = The band "Lil' VALT" also known as Lily Grmek, Thiago Andrade, Vikram Banda, and Arnav Patel with their video and song "Downtown Bank"

Runner up: The band "The Rappers with Money" composed of Cristian Galicia Lima, Muniraj Balaji, and **Liam Fennell** with their video, song, and Liam playing guitar for "Insure Yourself".

Class Favorite = Single artist and live performer "Non Spender" also known as Matthew Urbanik with his song "Cash Advice, Kept Concise"

### Block 4B:

1st place = The band "L&S" also known as Elizabeth Gotovsky and Sophia Gelfond with their video and song "Saving from Scratch"

Runner up: The band "TnS" composed of Tess Gentile and Samantha Turner with their video and song "I Don't Spend It, I Save It"

Class Favorite = The band "Flairs" also known as Christopher Fioto, Christopher Kobierowski, and Anto**nio Antoniades** with their video and song "Calling My Money"

# ROBOTICS | STEM Night 2018-19

# ROBOTICS / STEM NIGHT

## MAY 21ST, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

### Location: Monroe Township High School - Commons

Recently, MTHS's Robotics Club partnered with the Principles of Engineering class and Tech Club to host its very first ROBOTICS / STEM Night at the Monroe Township High School. Open to all engineering students (from High school & Middle school), the event had an attendance of about 60 participants.



Principles of Engineering students had been working for weeks to set up displays for the event. Their projects were related to various STEM topics including an Earthquake Simulator, a Mock Operation Game, a Gear Calculating Game and an Educational activity relating to Renewable Energy.

The Robotics Club was of course showing off their two working robots on a makeshift playing field on the commons stage, including their competition robot Mr. Grabs the Third. Middle schoolers in attendance were able to test out these two robots and get a feel for what it's like to participate in the VEX Robotics Competition.





The Tech Club rounded off the event with their amazing retro Arcade Game replica that was playable and incredibly detailed.

Besides the main features of the events, students in attendance also got the chance to play with a VR Headset courtesy of Conor Bilz. Overall, the event was a success for the budding club and was a great fundraising endeavor. Middle schoolers became more exposed to the STEM opportunities and programs of our high school and the robotics club hopefully gained some potential members.

We thank Mrs. Gaurishanker for her hard work and effort to make this event possible, as well as all club members and students who volunteered! We hope next year's event will draw in an even bigger crowd.





**Shankar Saikia** was awarded the NJ State Governor's Jefferson Awards for public service.

The Jefferson Awards is the nation's oldest and most prestigious recognition program for volunteer/public service, and are the official recognition program of the United States Senate. The Jefferson Awards were established in 1972 by the American Institute for Public Service in cooperation with the U.S. Senate and the White House. Honorees of the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Awards achieve measurable community impact and represent outstanding acts of public service, without the expectation of recognition

or compensation. Recipients demonstrate unique vision, dedication and tenacity of heroic proportion and serve as inspiration for others. The NJ Governor's Council on Volunteerism partners with the Jefferson Awards to recognize extraordinary volunteers from New Jersey through the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Awards. From over hundreds of shortlisted nominations across the state, honorees are selected in 20 categories.

Shankar was selected as an Honoree in the Service through the STEM category and was presented with the award at a formal ceremony held in the Patriots Theater at the Trenton War Memorial on Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>. This category recognizes outstanding service and contribution for the application of science, technology, engineering and mathematics skills and knowledge by an individual or team to develop solutions to problems at the individual, home, school, community or global level. Problem solving should address the standard or quality of life through some socially responsible category of interest – hunger, the environment, health, nutrition, homelessness, STEM or general literacy.

Shankar has been associated with the Thomas Edison Center at Menlo Park since 2016. He felt that the Phonograph which was one of Edison's most significant inventions was not highlighted enough. In 2017 as an Eagle Scout candidate, he chose to make it his service project and worked on researching the Phonograph for the next eight months in collaboration with the museum and the Thomas A. Edison papers at Rutgers University. During the spring of 2018 his work culminated by him designing and building a permanent exhibit showcasing the history of the Phonograph on the grounds of the Thomas Edison Center at Menlo Park which is a US Federal historical heritage site. Since then he has expanded his work to work as a regular volunteer docent at the museum and promote a variety of STEM related innovation and educational programs for cub scouts, boy scouts and school students in New Jersey. He currently works with the center to promote educational initiatives for schools and institutions locally and internationally.



### VIDEO PRODUCTION II

The short film "Deadly Memory" was produced by students in Boris Hladek's Video Production II class and placed 7<sup>th</sup> in this year's New Jersey 10-Day Film Challenge. 150 films from 40 schools across the state were submitted. You can see the film at:

https://youtu.be/AcZEzRNpjjU?list=PLkUJTXfp6yzAtJReQn62VcdSS1mQyR7is



### POWDER PUFF FOOTBALL

Congratulations to the Junior Team for their 27 to 6 defeat against the Senior team in the annual Powder Puff game. All girls played a great game. A special congratulations to **Brielle Fitzpatrick** for being named MVP of the game.



We are very proud of all of our students and their accomplishments!

